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HOUSING & URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT RESOLUTION

The 7th November, 2015

Subject: Formation of Odisha State Aahaar Society (OSAS) and District Aahaar Society (DAS).

The "Aahaar" initiative of State Government was launched from 1st April, 2015 with the objective of providing cooked hot meals (steamed rice and dalma) to the poor and needy people at an affordable cost at the places of public congregation in the Urban Areas of Odisha.

- 2. After careful consideration, the State Government have been pleased to decide, for formation of State Aahaar Society at State Level and District Aahaar Society at District Level, in order to make the Aahaar initiative self-sustainable, expand the initiative to other Urban Local Bodies, increase more outlets in the existing ULBs and mobilization of sufficient fund through various sources.
- 3. The basic objective for formation of Odisha State Aahaar Society (OSAS) shall be (i) to give strategic guidance to District Aahaar Society (DAS) in planning, managing and monitoring the Aahaar initiatives in the Urban Areas of the State. (ii) to mobilize funds from corporate houses, philanthropic donors, voluntary organizations, individuals, dovetailing of funds or benefits from other Government programmes. (iii) to support DAS financially for needy ULBs basing on requirement and assessment (iv) technically support district in implementing the Aahaar initiatives with benchmarking of the service level standards in the Aahaar outlets in the ULBs etc. Similarly, the basic objective of District Aahaar Society shall be to properly plan and manage Aahaar initiatives in the Urban Areas of the District and to mobilize funds for the said purpose.
 - 4. This has been concurred in UoR No.1743/CM., dated the 2nd November, 2015.

ORDER

It is ordered that, the Resolution be published in an Extraordinary issue of the *Odisha Gazette* for general information and copies forwarded to all Department of Government/ all Heads of Department/ all District Magistrates/ all ULBs for information.

By Order of the Governor

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Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government